

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 337**

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TO:	The Honorable Harvey S. Peeler, Chairman, Senate Medical Affairs Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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SUBJECT:	Certificate of Need Program Amendments		

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ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

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**BILL SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 337 amends Section 44-1-60 and Chapter 7 of Title 44 relating to the Certificate of Need (CON) program and health facility licensing. The Bill addresses many aspects of the Certificate of Need program and the licensing of health care facilities and corrects procedures which are inconsistent with current law.

**EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

Department of Health & Environmental Control

The Department reports that there would be no impact on the State General Fund resulting from enactment of this Bill. The Department indicates that the increased number of CON reviews that would be required under the provisions of this Bill would be offset by fewer Non-Applicability and Exemption determinations being requested.

Administrative Law Court

The Court indicates that enactment of this Bill will have a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed by the agency at the current level of funding.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:**

None.

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

None.

Approved by:



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